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*Observations*

The CIA has developed subtle techniques in using ingenious poisons, including gas; it is whispered that a CIA ingredient slipped into a glass of water induced Senator Edmund S. Muskie (D-Maine) to make his ill-fated "weeping" speech that ended his Presidential aspirations last year. . . . Mr. Nixon's Master of Dirty Tricks, Murray M. Chotiner, says that WO is "the worst anti-Semitic sheet in the country." Chotiner has in his files all of WO's critical articles about him, but in a pre-trial libel hearing, Chotiner refused to say under oath whether WO's allegations were true or false.

Henry A. Kissinger is angling to take over Nixon's oil crisis program; he is being vigorously opposed by Interior Secretary Rogers Morton, Deputy Treasury Secretary William Simon and John Love, the President's new energy adviser. . . . Also, there is tough in-fighting between Kissinger and Treasury Secretary George Shultz; Kissinger is trying to reassert the State Department's role in world economic affairs; Kissinger is scheming to replace Shultz with his protege Helmut Sonnenfeldt, who is under fire by the House Internal Security Committee and the Senate Finance Committee for leaking official secrets to foreign intelligence agents; Sonnenfeldt transmitted highly classified security information to Israeli agents, according to testimony before the committees. . . . CORRECTION: In line 2, paragraph 4, page 4 of WO 165, the correct spelling is "recidivists."